



ALEXANDRIA.

THURSDAY EVENING, AUGUST 8.

THE Republican State convention of Pennsylvania yesterday declared that the republican party had "rescued the country from the perils of rebellion; of treacherous reconstruction, and of financial dishonor." It has heretofore been said by northern democrats that they supplied a large proportion both of the officers and native soldiers of the Union army; and every body knows that the republican party lent all its power to General Mahone in his vain attempt to repudiate the Virginia debt, and thereby bring financial dishonor upon one of the States of the Union. The convention also declared that the republican party "aims to secure by legislation protection against the murderous methods of maintaining the insufferable wrongs which now stain the records of southern States, making of elections in most of them a fraud whose fruits are a large body of democratic usurpers now assuming to represent those States in the legislative halls of the nation." It thus appears that no matter what the republicans of some of the other northern States may say or do on the "southern question," those of Pennsylvania, at least, are in favor of putting the screws on at once, and of using federal power to put those southern communities having negro majorities under negro domination. Let the democratic slumbers in Virginia recollect this during their coming campaign.

IN A free country the product of a man's labor, as well as his labor, should be free. But in free America not only are men prevented from working by the command of other men, but they are not even allowed to sell the product of their labor in the dearest market, being compelled, by the existing tariff, to sell it in the cheapest, while forced to buy all they must consume in the highest. As many crimes are now committed in the name of liberty as at any previous period in the world's history. The wonder is that in a country of free schools and cheap newspapers, and of universal suffrage, all the people allow themselves to be taxed, not to raise the necessary revenue for the government, but simply and solely to increase the profits of a few protected monopolists, and enable them to form tyrannous trusts.

BEFORE Mr. Whitelaw Reid was appointed U. S. minister to France, the N. Y. Tribune spoke of Mr. Pitkin, the more recently appointed minister to the Argentine Republic, as follows:

"Originally, Pitkin was the merest accident of a complicated political situation. He tumbled up to the surface like a wart on the skin of a porcupine. Most of the Louisiana gang have been brought into prominence by the fact that they were charged with being great rascals. The country is weary of the whole lot, especially Pitkin."

Since Mr. Reid's appointment, the Tribune, apparently at least, thinks Mr. Pitkin a very proper sort of a man. Before and after never made a greater difference than in the case of the Tribune's opinion of "My dear Pitkin."

THE NATIONAL democratic party is the low tariff party of the country; the national republican, is the high tariff party. Virginia republicans, as a portion of the latter, will proclaim their accord with it by declaring for a high tariff. Virginia democrats, as a part of the former, can do no less than put themselves in accord with it by declaring for a low tariff. To do otherwise would be to stultify themselves, and that, self respecting men would not like to do. As the national democratic platform of 1888 was supported by 100,000 majority of the voters of the country, and by a million of the white voters, the best thing, under existing circumstances, the Virginia democrats can do, in respect of the tariff, at their coming State convention, would be to endorse the tariff plank of their last national convention.

IF THE men in the Union army were subject to the ills to which all other human nature is heir, they must have numbered untold millions, for now, a quarter of a century after the close of the war, there are over four hundred thousand of them and their widows on the pension rolls. And yet the republican conventions now being held in the northern States, boast of the defeat of the small Confederate army which, after four years of victorious contention against such an overwhelming force, was compelled to surrender for want of food and ammunition.

THE CONVICTION of Mrs. Maybrick by an English jury was not only in accordance with the evidence, but with common sense. The members of the jury need have no compunctions, even if the prisoner be not guilty of the crime of which they have convicted her, for she should certainly be hanged for some of her other crimes, about which there is no doubt. The jury system in England is not such a grotesque and disgraceful farce as it has become in this country.

IN Brooklyn negro members of the G. A. R. are not allowed to sit with their white comrades in theatres at plays for the benefit of their organization, and in New York negroes are not admitted into the Y. M. C. A. But, for all this, in no cities of the country are the shrieks for the obliteration of all race distinctions louder or more persistent than in the two referred to.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Special Correspondence of the ALEX. GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 8, 1889.

Among the visitors at the Capitol this morning was Senator Barbour, of Virginia. Mr. Barbour says all the Virginia railroads have agreed to sell round trip tickets to the Virginia State democratic convention, good from Monday next until the following Saturday, at four cents a mile, a reduction of fifty per cent. upon regular charges; and that the B. & O. R. R. has agreed to sell them at two cents a mile each way, which is precisely the same. Mr. Barbour, on being told that some enquiries had been made about Mr. Venable's war record, said so he had heard, and that upon investigation he had learned that Mr. Venable had helped to raise and equip a cavalry company at the commencement of the war, and served as an officer thereof until, on account of his business qualifications, he was transferred to the quartermaster's department, in which he served until the close of the war, and in which he rendered valuable and effective service.

Among the letters received at the Capitol this morning were two addressed to ex-Speakers of the House, one to Hon. R. M. T. Hunter, of Virginia, and the other to Hon. R. C. Winthrop, of Massachusetts. The parties addressed were Speakers fifty years ago, and one, the former, has been dead for several years.

Mr. McCaul, the new internal revenue collector for the Lynchburg district, has filed his official bond at the internal revenue bureau in the Treasury Department, and will take charge of his office on Saturday next.

Congressman Bowden of Virginia, when asked this morning if he placed any reliance in the rumor to the effect that no more federal appointments would be made in his State until after the republican convention thereof had been held, replied that from what he had learned he was disposed to credit it. What the effect of such delayed action would be, he said, he did not know.

An old Fairfax county, Virginia, democrat in the city to-day, in talking about the probable action of the coming democratic convention of his State, said that politics had become a matter of business now-a-days, and that looking at it in that light he supposed Mr. Venable was the most eligible man the convention could nominate for Governor. But, said he, leaving the business point out of view, sentiment would give the nomination to the 4th district, and as Mr. Venable's record is unimpeachable, there is no good reason why he should have it, if he wants it. Venable for Governor, Gordon for Lieutenant Governor, and Conrad or Mushbach for Attorney General would, he said, be an exceptionally strong ticket.

The only change in the 4th class post offices of Virginia, made to-day, was the appointment of J. S. Runkle, postmaster at McAdamsville, Rockingham county, vice R. E. Hopkins, removed.

Among the colored employees at the Capitol is R. D. Beckley, formerly of Alexandria, but now of Fairfax county, Virginia. He was once a prominent republican politician, but left that party some years ago, and holds his place in the Capitol by democratic favor. He says if General Mahone should succeed at the Virginia election next November, he will own the State and put it on deposit in New York.

The maddest man in the city to-day was a southern republican who called to see Assistant Postmaster General Clarkson on business, and was refused an audience by the negro doorman for the reason that there were enough people in the room to occupy Mr. Clarkson's attention until lunch time. The republican referred to said he would not have minded it if a card stated that Mr. Clarkson was busy had been on the door, or if the messenger had said that Mr. Clarkson ordered him to admit no more callers; but to be refused admittance because a negro thought that Mr. Clarkson would want his lunch before he could see him, was what, as he said, a d-d Yankee could stand, but what he couldn't. If, he said, the republican administration imagines it can break the solid South by allowing white republicans from the South to be treated rudely by negro menials, it will find that it is egregiously mistaken.

Gentlemen here from New York say that Mr. John Wise, while not blaming Mr. Brady for signing the so-called "compromise" between the two factions of the republican party in his State, says that compromise is all turkey for Mahone and all buzzard for the anti, and that it will practically give Mahone entire control of the republican State convention and of the republican organization in Virginia.

Telegraphic Brevities.

Three more bodies were taken out of the ruins at Johnston to-day. One was a little girl.

A Boston bank has placed an attachment of \$50,000 on the Riverside Mill property in Providence, R. I.

G. P. Brown, treasurer of the Riverside and Oswego Mills Company, left Boston on Tuesday and has not been heard of since.

Mrs. Harrison, wife of the President, arrived at Nantucket this morning in response to a telegram calling her to the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Scott Lord, who is very ill.

The U. S. officers of the division have recommended that the contract for furnishing the Washington Navy Yard with an electric plant was awarded to the Brush, instead of to the Schuyler, company for the reason that the latter company propose to furnish an engine inferior to the one offered by the Brush company.

THIEVES STOP A TRAIN.—The Rio Grande Western train No. 3, known as the Modoc, was held up near Crevasse, Col., Tuesday night by train robbers. Two of them boarded the baggage car at Thompson Springs. They climbed over the engine, pointed revolvers at the heads of the engineer and fireman and compelled them to stop the train. They forced the fireman to attempt to chop through the door of the express car, and made the engineer bring a bag to hold the plunder. Messenger Willis was ready with a magazine shot gun and two self-cocking revolvers. The fireman was unable to chop through the boiler-iron door, so the robbers fired a dozen shots through the cars. Messenger Willis lay on the floor, and was not hurt. The robbers dared not show their heads at the broken windows lest they should get shot. They gave it up, and joined two other robbers back in the other car. The four went through the train with their revolvers drawn, and gathered in \$900 and twenty watches. One passenger put his head out of the window to see what was going on, and the robbers sent a bullet through his hat. Most of the passengers hid their valuables successfully, those losing them being too frightened to hide them. A posse has gone from Green River. Two deputy United States Marshals went out this morning from Salt Lake with bloodhounds.

State Delegates.

Princess Anne county democrats have elected eight delegates to the State convention in favor of McKinney for Governor.

In the Norfolk county delegation there are three delegates for J. Hoge Tyler for Governor.

Williamsburg and Bland county yesterday elected unanimous delegates.

John of Wright instructed for McKinney.

The indications are that the convention will be more largely attended than any political body held in the State since the war.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Pennsylvania republican platform favors free license.

In Chicago last night it was reported that Burke had confessed.

Eben S. Allen, a New York street railway president, has been arrested for false stock issues and embezzlement.

Twenty-eight United States soldiers deserted the barracks on David's Island, at New York, late on Monday night.

Philadelphia merchants are bringing their customers to deal with them directly at their stores and will do away with drummers.

The Pennsylvania republican convention in Harrisburg yesterday nominated Henry K. Boyer, of Philadelphia, for State treasurer.

Emperor William, in a speech at a banquet given in his honor by the Prince of Wales, said the British fleet of men-of-war was the finest in the world.

The steamship Montreal, which sailed from Montreal on July 31 for Liverpool, is totally wrecked on Belle Isle. The passengers and all hands are saved.

The High Court of the order of Forerresters in England, has granted the loyal courts of America power to establish a subsidiary high court in this country.

The Sioux Indians have agreed to cede 11,000,000 acres of their lands in Dakota. If Congress approves the agreement the lands will be thrown open to settlement.

It is rumored that the machine shops and round-house of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad will be removed from Huntington to St. Albans, near Charleston, W. Va.

A company is about being formed in Baltimore to place in operation the system of telegraphing to and from moving railroad trains invented by Baylus Cade, of Raleigh, N. C.

Workmen have begun to tear down the walls of Madison Square Garden, New York. The new amphitheatre to be erected on its site is to be finished by June 20 of next year.

Mrs. Saxon Monroe, who was for a number of years one of the most prominent ladies in Washington society, died yesterday. She was a sister of Col. Malcolm Saxon, of that city.

The Henry Elias Brewery, in New York, which has a capacity of about ninety thousand barrels a year, has been bought by an English syndicate. The price paid is said to be \$950,000.

Two attachments amounting to nearly half a million dollars have been placed on the Riverside and Oswego mills at Oswego Falls, N. Y., and it is possible that a failure of the mills may follow.

A day or two ago the prisoners confined in Fort San Juan de Uluoa at Vera Cruz revolted against the officials. The troops on duty at the fort shot twenty of the prisoners and quelled the uprising.

Thomas Payne, a promising young man of Spotsylvania county, while hunting yesterday evening near Massaponax bridge accidentally discharged his gun, the load entering his heart, killing him almost instantly.

Yesterday J. J. Sweeney, a young man serving as a Deputy Sheriff at the Alice Furnace, at Keating Station, Pa., was shot by a coke striker in an attempt made by the men to prevent resumption of work at that furnace.

It is said that the prisoner in jail in Scottsboro, Ala., is not Treasurer Tate, of Kentucky. He is now believed to be a criminal wanted somewhere, and therefore will not talk. Tate's friends in Frankfort say he is not in the United States.

Jeremiah O'Donovan Rossa, the much beloved Irish rebel, was once more in the Tomba Police Court in New York yesterday to answer a charge of criminal libel preferred by Patrick Sarsfield Cassidy. Justice Hogan held Rossa and fixed bail in \$500.

It was rumored at Saratoga last night that Governor Hill has been asked to remove Sheriff Fleck, of New York, but has refused to do so. It is possible that the grand jury may investigate the sheriff's divorce suit, and Mrs. Fleck desires the case reviewed.

Martin Burke, charged with complicity in the murder of Dr. P. H. Cronin, at Chicago, was given a latter yesterday received from his mother in Ireland. On reading it the prisoner shook violently and cried like a child, and when he finished it threw himself on the floor of the cell.

On a two-mile circular track the startling speed of two miles a minute was yesterday maintained for about ten miles by the three-ton motor of the Electro Automatic Transit Company of Baltimore City at the grounds at Laurel, Md. This speed equals three miles per minute on a straight track.

J. W. Smith, a well-to-do farmer and man of family, of Sharon township, near Charlotte, N. C., left his home and departed the county yesterday, on a mandate of his neighbors, on the charge of attempting yesterday to assault a twelve-year old daughter of his neighbor and kinsman, C. M. Campbell.

There are no changes to record in the positions of the League of American baseball clubs as the result of yesterday's games, but New York seems to be rapidly gaining on Boston. Philadelphia and Cincinnati are having a race for third place, just as Baltimore, the Athletics and Cincinnati are in the Association.

The residents of Sag Harbor, L. I., were last Tuesday horrified to discover a pirate's flag floating from the weathercock on the flag pole of the Presbyterian church. The flag, which was of the regulation black, was emblazoned with red crossbones and skulls in the center. How the flag was put up is a mystery, as no trace of climbers has been found.

The radicals of the British parliament have seized their first chance to mark their sense of what they choose to regard as the desertion of the Parnellites, the question of the royal grants. They did this by leaving the house immediately upon the debate on the Irish estimates being opened. The Irish members were thus left in a great measure alone in opposing the vote for the Irish police advanced by the government.

From Samoa.

Advices from Samoa state that King Malietoa, who had been brought back to Apia by a German man-of-war with the express understanding that the status quo should be maintained until the treaty drafted by the conference could be ratified by the United States Senate, has entirely repudiated this agreement. Immediately upon his landing he gathered his followers and compelled King Tamasese to hand over to him the prison and the police force of Apia. He dismissed the German police superintendent, Herr Von Wolfersdorff, and released from prison several natives who had been arrested by his order. At last accounts the entire municipal government of Apia had been gathered in Malietoa's house, where were the city armed, and Tamasese, though nominally king, kept himself very secluded.

SUICIDE.—Mrs. Fuller, wife of Captain Richard Fuller, of Capoboscio, Gloucester county, committed suicide yesterday morning about two o'clock by drowning herself. She arose from bed and dressed herself, and when her husband said it was too damp for her to go out of doors, she replied that she would put her shoes on. Becoming alarmed, Captain Fuller went out to look for her, and found her shoes and stockings at the door. Having aroused her to the fact that she was alone, he found her on the pier. In the evening her body was found. Mrs. Fuller was about 35 years old. She leaves four children.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Judge J. M. Quarles, of Staunton, has declined the prohibition nomination for attorney-general of Virginia.

Gen. Thomas L. Rogers has been elected commander of the John B. Strange Camp of ex-Confederate Veterans, at Charlottesville.

The Old Dominion steamer Old Dominion ran into and sunk the sloop Ella May in Norfolk harbor yesterday. The sloop's crew of three men were drowned.

James D. Duval, a passenger conductor, was killed in a collision on the Richmond and Allegheny Railroad, near Nichols, yesterday. Brakeman Thaxton was wounded.

Mr. Samuel H. Mullen, a well-known citizen of Leesburg, and for several years past a member of the police force of that town died Sunday morning in the 64th year of his age.

Col. H. C. Parsons, of Natural Bridge, says: "The platforms will be the old ones. The republicans will poll nearly a full vote, the democrats more than a full vote. The democratic party of Virginia is united and has the best organization in the world."

Fatal Explosion.

While the family of Mr. L. B. Crocker, of Buffalo, was preparing to go off on a pleasure trip yesterday in his yacht, two explosions in quick succession were heard from the boat house. Immediately afterwards the house burst into flames, which soon made a furnace of its interior. Mr. Crocker had taken his four children and Miss McLean, a lady from Detroit, who is stopping with the family, to the river for an excursion. Miss McLean was thrown into the water by the force of the explosion and was badly burned.

Mr. Crocker's young son was seen standing on the boat's deck against a background of fire. A pole was extended toward the little fellow and he was told to grasp it. But the boy seemed paralyzed and in a moment fell back into the fire and burned to a crisp before the horrified gaze of the on-lookers. The carpenter clinging to a raft just over the blazing boat, for a few moments hung desperately on his perch, and then, as if stupefied by the heat, loosed his hold and dropped into the furnace below.

The two other children of Mr. Crocker, aged ten and nine years also perished in the flames. Another daughter, aged fourteen, was blown into the water, but was rescued and sent with Miss McLean to the hospital. The yacht was run by naphtha for fuel. It is supposed that the accident was caused when the engineer lit the match for ignition of the fuel, by the explosion of some gas which had leaked out. Mr. Crocker himself barely escaped with his life. He is almost insane with grief. His wife has been ill for some time, and her grief will probably kill her.

BUFFALO, Aug. 8.—Miss Charlotte Crocker and Miss Flora McLean, survivors of the yacht explosion yesterday afternoon, were reported doing well at the hospital this morning, and it is believed that both will recover.

No Longer a Prohibitionist

PROFFITT, ALBEMARLE CO., Va., July 26th, 1889.

Hon. Samuel Dickey, Chairman of National Prohibition Committee, 32 East 14th St., New York City:

Dear Sir: I hereby tender to you my resignation as a member of the national prohibition committee, of which you are chairman.

Two years ago I was the prohibition candidate for the Legislature in Albemarle county (spending \$25 for the cause) and received 39 votes.

Last year myself and wife (Mrs. Sallie G. Rawlings) were delegates to the national prohibition convention and helped to nominate Fisk and Brooks—Mrs. R. being made one of the vice presidents of said convention and myself one of the Virginia members of your committee.

We came home enthused and worked like Trojans for said nominees, placing the voice, at our expense, in the hands of every voter who would receive it in our Congressional district, and spending about \$5 in the campaign for prohibition. The result of all this labor and expense was 18 votes for me as elector on Fisk and Brooks ticket in Albemarle. Out of fifty minutes receiving the voice in our county I have concluded that I must be wrong; that it is useless to throw away my vote any longer, and that it is my duty to abandon prohibition and in future advocate high license and work in the republican party, which is the representative of that idea.

Having now an apple orchard of 60 acres and a vineyard of 100 acres, I can give every brother visiting me a glass of wine or apple-jack, as he may prefer, though I have not touched a drop of either since Cleveland's election, when I got very drunk in joy of that event. Now no more Cleveland and Lee, but Harrison, Mahone and protective tariff to the brim—to boom Virginia.

Yours, in brotherly love,

R. H. RAWLINGS

A Card.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Aug. 6 1889.

To the Editor of the Alexandria Gazette:

Dear Sir:—My attention having been called to your account of the accident near Burnley's Station, in your issue of August 5th, and presuming you will make a correction of a statement doing me gross injustice, I write to say that I have not gone anywhere nor did I leave my train from the time it was pulled back to Barboursville, which was between 8 and 9 o'clock August 4th until August 5 about 12:10 P. M., where I could have been found until Tuesday, August 6 at 6:15, and can now be found near Winstonville, Culpeper county, Va., as I do not think I am to blame for the accident.

Yours, truly,

R. F. BURNHAM.

[The account of the accident published in the GAZETTE was obtained from the most reliable information to be had, and the statement that Mr. Burnham had fled was the current report in the city on this day of the accident.]

FAUQUIER NEWS.—Spencer Riley with other negroes attended a party at Sid Pinkette in Upperville Saturday night. A row followed, and Riley shot a man called George Howard. He then fired five shots in the crowd and went home, loaded up his pistol, returned and shot four more times, but no one else was struck. The ball entered Riley's abdomen and he died Tuesday evening. Riley was arrested Saturday night and placed in confinement at Upperville, and Wednesday Mr. E. S. Anderson, constable, brought him to the jail in Warrenton where he now awaits the action of the grand jury.

On Saturday evening last the hands at work in Mr. P. W. Charrington's hay field unhooked the horses from a wagon loaded with hay to avoid an approaching storm. They had scarcely gotten to the house when lightning struck the load of hay. It caught fire instantaneously and all the wood work about the wagon except the tongue was burned to ashes.—Warrenton Virginian.

Allen G. Thurman and family arrived at the Hot Springs last night.



ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCHES.

The President and Party.

BOSTON, Aug. 8.—The special train with President Harrison and party, President Lord, of the Boston and Maine railroad, Lt. Governor Brackett and members of the governor's staff and a corps of newspaper men, pulled out of the Boston and Maine depot at 9 o'clock this morning en route to Bar Harbor. The engine, which is the new 45-ton locomotive Tippecanoe, was decorated with floral designs. A large crowd witnessed the departure, which was made to the accompaniment of a salute by battery A, and the continued cheers of the crowd. Previous to the departure of the train the President lingered a moment on the car platform, but politely ignored the calls for a speech. As the train moved out of the depot amid the boom of cannon and cheers of the crowd, the President appeared on the platform and bowed his farewells until the train disappeared. Lieut. Gov. Brackett and staff will leave the train at Haverhill. General manager Furber, of the Boston and Maine railroad, accompanies the party and will personally supervise the arrangements of the trip.

The train was cheered at every place through which it passed. Governor Goodell of New Hampshire and staff, and other prominent persons, joined the train at South Lawrence, where a hearty welcome was extended the President. At Haverhill a big arch of welcome was erected and a large crowd packed the depot and adjacent streets. As the train rolled into the depot the band played, cannon roared, and the people hurrahed and made a noisy time generally.

A Big Scheme.

GRAND FORKS, Dak., Aug. 8.—A syndicate of capitalists including a dozen or more millionaire residents of Bismarck, Grand Forks and Jamestown, has been organized to develop a new canal scheme that will reclaim upwards of 5,000,000 acres of arid and useless land in north Dakota. The idea is to conduct a canal from the Mississippi river to Bismarck, 1608 feet above the level of the sea, to Lake Traverse and Big Stone Lake, 900 feet above the level of the sea. This canal would run through a section of country in north and south Dakota that is in great need of irrigation. Lateral canals are to be constructed by the various counties and hundreds of thousands of acres of arid land reclaimed, while the present cultivated country will be wonderfully enhanced in value.

Another Train Robbery.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Aug. 8.—The Wisconsin Central passenger train from Chicago, which passed Chippewa Falls, Wis., at 4 o'clock this morning, was held up and robbed by a single man between Chippewa Falls and Abbot'sford, half an hour before. At the hour named a man entered one of the sleeping cars, commanded the conductor and porter to throw up their hands, and then proceeded to go through them, taking all they had. One passenger was also robbed and a shot or two fired at the porter, but no one was hurt. The robber pulled the bell rope as soon as he had completed the robbery, and when the train came to a stop he jumped off and escaped. No attempt was made to follow him.

Jack the Peeper Again.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Aug. 8.—"Jack the Peeper," whose antics have caused terror in Elizabethport, was again on his rounds last night. He carried a dark lantern and also a pistol which he flourished in the faces of the persons he visited. As heretofore, he showed no evidence that his visits were for the purpose of robbery, his only object, apparently, being to visit bed rooms. Last night he stealthily entered the chambers of two residences and when discovered made his exit through the windows. It is astonishing how the crack, lunatic, or whatever he may prove to be, always manages to get away, and, moreover, sets the police at defiance.

Death of General Dupont.

WILMINGTON, Del., Aug. 8.—Gen. Henry Dupont, since 1850 head of the extensive gunpowder manufacturing firm of E. I. Dupont, de Nemours & Co., died early this morning. He was prostrated by an attack of heart failure about two months ago. He was the second son of E. I. de la Roche Dupont, the founder of the works, and was born August 8, 1812. He served in the Seminole war and was made Maj. General of the State militia early in the civil war. His wealth, including a large private estate, was estimated at \$15,000,000.

Bodies Found.

HELENA, Mont., Aug. 8.—The finding of the dead bodies of O. L. Jones, his wife and two other persons was reported yesterday from Corvallis, in the Bitter Root Valley in western Montana. A young girl who had been shot in the hip was also found on Big Hole Mountain. All of the dead had been shot in the back. A party was formed to bring in the bodies. No further details of the affair could be obtained as Corvallis is without telegraphic facilities. Jones was married three weeks ago and was on the road to his ranch.

The Cherokee Commission.

TABLEAUH, I. T., Aug. 8.—The prospects for the success of the Cherokee commission are brightening. Later returns from the election show that three of the senators elected are strongly in favor of selling the strip. Interviews with prominent Cherokees indicate that they would rather sell the land for \$1.25 to the government than for 49 cents turn it over to their enemies.

Extensive Fire.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Aug. 8.—Fire broke out in the bookstore of Banner, Bateley & Co. in the Treatman block last evening, and before it was checked damaged the buildings and contents to the amount of \$100,000.

Foreign News.

VIENNA, Aug. 8.—The Political Correspondence states that the Porte has decided to proclaim a state of siege in Crete.

PARIS, Aug. 8.—The report of the arrest of Capt. Bruiac of the French Army on the charge of being a German spy is denied. Capt. Bruiac is at St. Brice attending to his official duties.

QUEENSTOWN, Aug. 8.—The new White Star line steamer Teutonic, from Liverpool, the largest ship afloat, sailed hence at 2 p. m. to-day for New York.

PARIS, Aug. 8.—The trial of General Boulanger was begun to-day before the High Court of the Senate. A body of military guarded the court.

LONDON, Aug. 8.—The Queen reviewed the German seamen from the vessels forming the Emperor's escort in the grounds of Osborne House to-day. Fifteen hundred men were in line. They were commanded by the Emperor, who was dressed in the uniform of an admiral.

Held Under Bail.

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—Mr. Eben S. Allen, until a few days ago President of the Forty-second and Grand street ferry railway company, was brought to the Tombs police court this morning. Allen is charged with forgery in issuing certificates of stock of the company to the amount of \$110,000, in default of which he was locked up. He admitted issuing 700 shares of stock and getting the benefit of it but denied forging the signatures of John Green and Charles Curtis, former Presidents of the company.

A Big Mining Deal.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 8.—A big mining deal, involving more than \$1,000,000 and embracing 10,000 acres of mineral lands in and around Joplin and Webb city, has just been consummated by O. M. Tower, in New York city. The property is to be operated by a syndicate of New York, Kansas City and Joplin capitalists. With ample capital back of the enterprise the lead and zinc output, it is thought, will be enormously increased.

The Seizure of the Black Diamond.

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 8.—A Frank paid off the Black Diamond crew yesterday. Before doing so he took affidavits from the men concerning their knowledge of the seizure. These affidavits will be used by Frank in connection with his claim against the U. S. Government for damages. It is generally considered that Lieut. Tuttle acted entirely outside the law in breaking open the captain's papers.

The Floods in Japan.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 8.—The Japan Gazette received by the steamer Arabic says that about 100 persons were drowned, 12,000 houses washed away, and about 2,500 acres of cultivated land seriously damaged in four of the seven cantons which suffered most from the overflowing of the river Chikugo in Fukuoka by the recent heavy rains. Relief funds have been started in various parts of the empire.

The Cronin Murders.

MONTREAL, Aug. 8.—Detective Kullert left for Chicago last night. He says that Montreal has been the hot bed of the Cronin conspirators, at least one of whom he has been shadowing for months. He declares that his man will be arrested within 48 hours, but declines giving any further information.